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**PATENT**

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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3745**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re:	Patent Application of <b>Haruo Kodama, et al.</b>	: Group Art Unit: <b>3745</b>
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Appln. No.:	<b>09/652,090</b>	: Attorney Docket No.: <b>9369-51US</b> ( <b>T37-124467M/TH</b> )
Filed:	<b>August 31, 2000</b>	
For:	<b>HYDRAULIC DRIVE APPARATUS</b>	

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on November 15, 2002 (Paper No. 10). A Petition for Extension of Time (one month, to and including March 17, 2003 (March 15 being a Saturday)) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is being filed herewith.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-5 are pending in the application. By previous response, claims 6 through 36 have been withdrawn from consideration in response to a restriction requirement.

**Examiner's Response to Amendment**

With respect to arguments set forth in Applicants' Amendment filed August 19, 2002, the Examiner contends that knowledge of the magnitude of the supply pressure (the

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